

## Message Text

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TAGS: BBAK, CG

SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO DOUGLAS AIR - BACKGROUND ON AIR ZAIRE

DEPT IS REQUESTED TO TELEX FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO DOUGLAS AIR/  
LONG BEACH, CALIF, TELEX 674994/674357:

QUOTE 1. REGRET YOUR CABLE RECEIVED ONLY YESTERDAY AUGUST 4.

2. ANSWERS TO SPECIFIC QUESTIONS FOLLOW:

A. AIR ZAIRE IS A PARASTATAL INSTRUMENTALITY OF ZAIRIAN  
GOVERNMENT, WITH DIRECTOR GENERAL REPORTING TO MINISTER OF  
TRANSPORTATION, AND FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS BACKED BY GOVERN-  
MENT.

B. AIRLINE OWNED 100 PERCENT BY GOVERNMENT, WHICH  
ESTABLISHED IT.

C. THERE IS NO BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

D. PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS MANAGES AIR ZAIRE UNDER A  
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM CONTRACT. THE MANAGER, AS  
INDICATED, ABOVE, REPORTS TO MINISTER OF TRANSPORTATION AND  
HIS APPOINTMENT GOVERNMENT APPROVAL. BELOW THAT  
LEVEL, PANAM TAP TEAM DOES APPOINTING, USUALLY IN CLOSE  
CONSULTATION WITH GOVERNMENT.

E. SALARIES ARE PAID BY AIR ZAIRE, AND NOT DIRECTLY  
BY GOVERNMENT, AND EMPLOYEES NOT CONSIDERED CIVIL  
SERVANTS. AIR ZAIRE CONTRIBUTES ON EMPLOYEE'S BEHALF  
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TO REGULAR SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAM, FROM WHICH EMPLOYEES

CAN EXPECT TO DRAW RETIREMENT BENEFITS. THERE IS  
ALSO COMPANY PENSION PROGRAM IN WHICH EMPLOYEES  
PARTICIPATE. END QUOTE.  
WALKER

NOTE BY OC/T: NOT PASSED LONG BEACH, CALIF.

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